HASSAN DISTRICT.

Proceedings of a meeting of the District Fund Board of the Hassan Circle, convened on Saturday the 11th January 1896, in the Deputy Commissioner's office, Hassan, at 12 noon.

PRESENT.

A. Krishnaswamaiengar, Esq., Deputy Commissioner and President.

Ex-Officio Members.

1. A. S. Nagavkar, Esq., Executive Engineer.
2. J. W. Knight, Esq., General Assistant Commissioner.
3. G. Lakshmanaswami, Esq., Assistant Surgeon.
4. Mr. Muhammad Raza, Amildar of Hassan.
5. „ A. Viraraghavalu Naidu, Amildar of Arsikere.
6. „ P. Subrayalu Naidu, Amildar of Holé-Narsipur.
7. „ A. Krishné Aras, Amildar of Channarayapatna.
8. „ K. Srikantaiya, Amildar of Belur.
9. „ B. Sankaraiya, Amildar of Arkalgud.

ABSENT.

Mr. Gulam Mohadin, Amildar of Manjarabad.

Non-Official Members.

PRESENT.

Mr. Kalasapur Tammaiya, Coffee Planter.
„ Banavar Venkatesaiya.

ABSENT.

Mr. Hassan Krishnappa.
„ Muhammad Ghaus Sahib (Sick).
„ Konanur Venkataramaiya.
„ Venkatasubbaiya, Inamdar.

1. *Statement showing the Receipts and Disbursements under District Funds during September* 1895.—The accompanying statement (A) was read to the Board.

Resolution.—Passed and recorded.

2. *Statement showing the outlay on works under Local Funds General from July to the end of December* 1895.—The enclosed statement (B) was then placed before the Board.

Resolution.—Passed and recorded.

3. *Refund.*—Read Government Proceedings No. 7136-9—L. F. 258-93, dated 20th December 1895, in regard to the refund to the District Funds of Rs. 47,553, from Local Funds General.

Resolution.—As it is not possible to frame a proper Budget with due regard to the needs of the year, in consequence of the amount of Rs. 47,000 and odd being erroneously debited in the accounts to the District Funds, this sum should be taken as part of the assets of the fund and the Budget framed accordingly.

4. *Additions to the Dispensary at Arsikere.*—Read Executive Engineer's docket No. 459, dated 17th May 1895, forwarding plan and estimate amounting to Rs. 1,973, for constructing baths, privies and a masonry compound wall around the Dispensary at Arsikere, together with copy of Chief Engineer's inspection note, dated 18th January 1895.

Resolution.—Provision should be made accordingly for ⅓rd of the cost to be borne by the District Funds in the Budget for 1896-97, the other ⅔rd being borne by the Municipal and Provincial Funds as usual.

5. *Katte near Chamarajendrapura.*—Read Channarayapatna Amildar's Ittila No. 72, dated 2nd November 1895, forwarding plan and estimate for Rs. 500 for improving the katte near Chamarajendrapura, a village newly built. The Board observed that the improvement proposed was necessary for the convenience and well-being of the village.

Resolved that provision be made accordingly in the Budget for 1896-97.

6. *Allowance to the Hospital Assistant at Arsikere.*—Read para 6 of President's notes of inspection, dated 27th November 1895, of the Banavar Town, suggesting that the Hospital Assistant at Arsikere should visit Banavar twice a week and that he might be given an allowance of Rs. 10 a month for the same.

Resolution.—The Board after fully considering the question observed that Harnahalli and Banavar are large places and centres of tracts which require medical aid, which cannot be efficiently afforded from Arsikere, that the service of a second Hospital Assistant, an Assistant to the one at Arsikere, should be applied for and that he should spend half the time at Banavar and the other half at Harnahalli and that till this should be

secured, the present Hospital Assistant at Arsikere, should visit Banavar and Harnaballi once a week without prejudice to his work at Arsikere, and that for this purpose a special horse allowance of Rs. 15 per mensem be granted to him.

7. *Hosurpetta road.*—Read Executive Engineer's docket No. 1183, dated 17th ultimo, stating that funds are not available in the current year's Budget for repairing the Saklespur-Gonibide road between Hosur and Halasuligepetes.

Read also Mr. Brooke Mockett's letter, dated 6th December 1895, bringing to notice the state of disrepair of the same road.

Resolved that provision be made in the Budget for 1896-97 for maintaining the road and that Rs. 100, be placed at the disposal of the Executive Engineer for urgent repairs during the current year.

8. *Constructing a shed for the watchman of the Musafirkhana at Arsikere.*—The Board resolve that the construction of a shed for the watchman of the Musafirkhana at Arsikere, is necessary and that Rs. 150 required for this be met from the provision under the head "Repairing the 3rd Class Travellers' Bangalos and Musafirkhanas" in the Budget for 1896-97.

9. *Constructing a Dispensary with out-houses at Konanur.*—Read correspondence ending with Executive Engineer's docket No. 1120, dated 25th November 1895, regarding the contribution towards the cost of constructing a Dispensary with out-houses at Konanur.

Resolved that provision be made in the Budget for 1896-97 for the District Fund quota of the cost as resolved by the Board in Resolution X of their Proceedings, dated 9th May 1895.

10. *Opening the Saklespur-Gonibide road, viâ, Arehalli, Second Section.*—Read letter dated 3rd instant, from Mr. J. A. Harris, Honorary Secretary, South Mysore Planters' Association, urging the necessity of opening the Saklespur-Gonibide road *viâ* Arehalli, second section.

The Executive Engineer informed the Board that the opening of this portion of the road before the completion of the first section for which Rs. 12,000 has been provided in the Budget for 1896-97, would be of little avail and that, besides Rs. 3,000 budgetted for, another sum of Rs. 5,000 be granted for expenditure on the first section of the road during the current year.

Resolution—Resolved that provision be made for finally tracing out the line referred to by Mr. Harris, that after completing the first section for which provision has been made, the second section be taken up and that the additional grant referred to by the Executive Engineer be applied for.

11. *Channarayapatna-Sravanabelagola road on the Janivara Tank Bund.*—The President informed the Board that the Channarayapatna-Sravanabelagola road on the Janivara tank bund is not broad enough and that it is therefore necessary to make some arrangement to prevent danger to traffic passing over it.

Resolved that the tank side of the road be protected with railing of stone up rights and old iron rails and for this purpose a sum of Rs. 500, be provided in the statement of original works to be executed by Public Works Department for 1896-97 under "Reserve for minor works."

12. *Constructing Musafirkhanas in the District.*—Read the following :—

(1) Resolution XVII of the Board, dated 3rd January 1893.

(2) Board's Resolution XVII, dated 9th February 1895.

(3) Do do dated 20th November 1895.

Resolution.—The Board after fully considering the question, resolved that Musafirkhanas be built for 1896-97 at—

(1) Saledevarahalli, Hassan-Chikmagalur road.

(2) Kana'ate, Banavar-Sira road, and

(3) Chamarajendrapura, Arsikere-Channarayapatna road, and that provision be made for the same in the Budget at Rs. 1,500 for each of them.

13. *Adjustment of Rs. 140-3-0, paid to Chinnappa for repairing the Salgame road lying within the Hassan Municipality.*—Read correspondence ending with Executive Engineer's docket No. 357, dated 13th April last, in regard to the adjustment of Rs. 140-3-0 drawn as advance from the Treasury and paid to Chinnappa for repairing the Salgame District Fund road lying within the Hassan Municipality.

(2) Read also Resolution H of the Hassan Town Municipal Board, dated 3rd November 1894, and Resolution X of the District Fund Board, dated 19th idem :—

Resolution.—Resolved that the advance be adjusted from the sum of Rs. 2,000 provided under the head "Special repairs to well recognized cart-tracks," in the current year's District Fund Budget of Hassan.

14. *Special repairs to the Yelavala-Hassan road on the Channapatna Tank Bund, Hassan Town.*—The President explained to the Board the bad state of the road and added that special repairs were necessary to bring the road to a trafficable order.

Resolution.—Resolved that Rs. 1,000 be provided for this purpose in the statement of repairs to be executed by the Public Works Department under the head "Reserve for minor works" during 1896-97 and that the Executive Engineer be requested to do the needful.

15. *Budget Estimates.*—The usual Budget estimates for 1896-97, were placed before the Board and explained as follows :—

(1) Receipts.—Seventy-six per cent of one anna cess on Land Revenue creditable to District Funds—The estimate under this head is based upon the actuals for 1894-95.

(2) Cattle fines and sales and ferry collections.—The estimates under these heads are also based upon the collections of 1894-95.

It may be observed that the estimates are less than the actuals of 1894-95, the items being fluctuating ones.

(3) Fees from 3rd Class Travellers' Bangalos.—Only a sum of Rs. 100, has been entered under this head against Rs. 145-6-4 the actuals of 1894-95, as the collections of the past six months show a decrease.

(4) Private contributions.—The amount estimated under this head is the contribution promised by European and Native Coffee Planters towards the opening of the Saklespur-Gonibido road :—

(5) Refund of expenditure on the Belur Bridge.—A sum of Rs. 47,000 has been entered under this head as the estimate for 1896-97 for reasons given by the Board in Resolution III *supra.*

Resolution.—The estimates be passed.

16. *Charges.*—The Budget estimates of Public Works prepared by the Executive Engineer were then laid before the Committee (*vide* Form B., Parts I and II attached).

Original Works.—Under this head provision has been made for seven works of which six are those in progress, and an estimate for the seventh or the last work, has been submitted for sanction, as resolved by the Board in Resolution XV of their Proceedings, dated 19th August last. The sum of Rs. 3,000 entered by the Executive Engineer under "Reserve for minor works," is raised to Rs. 5,500 *vide,* Resolution XI *supra.* Thus the total grant required for 1896-97, under this head is Rs. 25,500.

Resolution.—Passed.

17. Repairs, communication.—

Read correspondence ending with Executive Engineer's letter No. [illegible], dated 9th instant, stating that, on account of the expansion of coffee industry the enhanced wages of labor and the great activity in trade in Malnad tracts, it is quite necessary to raise the mileage allotments of the marginally noted Malnad roads, which stand in great need of improvement owing to heavy traffic passing over them, at an increased cost of Rs. 2,890 and that he could not provide for the very important work of constructing a bridge across the Addahalla stream and the improvement of the Bisleghat road for want of funds.

1. Belur-Mudgere road
2. Anemahal-Mudgere road.
3. Kattya-Hallibyalu road
4. Arkalgud-Kodlipet road.
5. Ramnathpur-Frazerpet road.
6. Bhartavalli-Alur loop road.
7. Palya-Belagode road.
8. Banavasi-Kerodi road.
9. Bage-Belur road.
10. Aiyahalli-Yeslurpet road.
11. Hullahalli loop road.

Read also the following :—

(1) Para 26 of Government Proceedings No. 17529-33—L F. 203-92, dated 24th April 1893, informing that the question of constructing Addahalla bridge at the cost of Provincial Funds will be considered in the Public Works Department in reply to Board's Resolution, dated 3rd January 1893.

(2) Resolution III of the Proceedings of the Board, dated 31st January 1894, that the work of constructing an iron girder bridge and the improvement of the Bisleghat road could not be undertaken out of District Fund assets and that the Government be urged to sanction these two works from Provincial Funds.

(3) This office No. 25 Camp, dated 20th December 1895, addressed to the Chief Engineer and its enclosure being a representation by the President of the Vuppinangadi Taluk Board, South Canara District, as regards the necessity of constructing *pukka* bridge across the Addahalla.

Resolution.—The Board concurring with the Executive Engineer as to the necessity of raising mileage allotment of the above roads at an increased cost of Rs. 2,890, resolved to pass the same and other usual charges entered in the statement but observed as follows:—

The general principle that should regulate expenditure is that the District Fund realized in the Taluk should be spent in it, *vide* Rule 7 of Appendix to subsidiary Rules framed under Notification No. 110, dated 4th July 1874. While the Board is willing to exceed this limit to a reasonable extent, it would be unfair to saddle it with charges for maintaining roads, which are of provincial importance such as the Bisleghat road. A bridge across the Addahalla on the Manjarabad-Subramanya road is a great need. Government should therefore be respectfully asked that this work and the improvement and maintenance of the Bisleghat road (Manjarabad-Subramanya road) be undertaken from Provincial Funds and the District Funds relieved of the charge.

Rupees 5,745 provided under the head "Reserve for minor works" by the Executive Engineer is raised to Rs. 6,745 (*vide*, Resolution XIV *supra*).

18. The provisions under the head "Tools and plant" and "Establishment" were also accepted by the Board.

19. *Public Works to be executed by the Revenue Department.*—The appended statement (Form C) of works budgetted to be undertaken by the Revenue Department was placed before the Board and explained as follows :—

1. *Original Works.*—The first two are the incomplete works of last year and the third and fourth are those already approved by the Board (*vide*, Resolutions V and X *supra*).

A sum of Rs. 2,000, has been provided for sinking wells in Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks, as those parts are dry and are greatly in need of drinking water wells. Detailed estimates will be submitted and sanction obtained.

As the back yard of the Rangacharlu Memorial Chattram at Arsikere is at present very untidy and cannot without a compound wall will be prevented from being turned a public latrine, Rs. 1,200 has been provided for constructing the same under "Reserve," Rs. 500 has been entered for unforeseen expenses.

In addition to the above the following works were proposed :—

	Rs.	
1. Improving the pond at Tirupati	1,000.	Proposed by the Amildar of Arsikere.
2. Constructing a bathing ghat at Doddamaggo ..	400.	By the Amildar of Arkalgud.
3. Sinking a well at Chikkanahalli, Belur Taluk ..	500.	By Mr. Tammaiya.
4. Sinking a well near the Musafirkhana at Banavar under construction	500.	By Mr. Venkatesaiya.

Resolution.—The Board recognizing the necessity for the above works passed the same.

(2) *Repairs.*—The President informed the Board that Rs. 4,000 has been provided for special improvements of well recognized cart-tracks for 1896-97, as the construction of tunnels on Channarayapatna-Bagur and Salgame-Halebide roads, the improvement of which has already been approved by the Board, could not be undertaken with the usual grant of Rs. 2,000, without prejudice to similar works in other Taluks

As some of the Musafirkhanas are very badly in need of repairs and as Rs. 1,000 will not suffice for repairing these and the 3rd Class Travellers' Bangalos in the District, Rs. 1,500, has been provided for 1896-97 for repairing these buildings.

Resolution.—Passed.

(3) *Establishment.*—As the Amildars and other Non-official Members present say that provision be made for establishment charges as already resolved by the Board, (*vide* Resolution XII of their Proceedings, dated 19th August last) a sum of Rs. 1,900 has been provided on this account at 10 per cent.

Resolution.—Passed.

20. *Civil Charges.*—The Budget of civil charges was next placed before the Board and explained as below :—

The provision made for 1896-97 amounts to Rs. 24,493 against Rs. 18,994, the sanctioned estimate for 1895-96, as shown below :—

Details.	*Estimate for 1895-96.*	*Estimate for 1896-97.*
1. Office Establishment	616	738
2. Medical Scholarships	340	340
3. Hospitals and Dispensaries	4,021	4,515
4. Midwives	1,395	1,442
5. Sweepers for third class Travellers' Bangalos and Musafirkhanas	1,080	1,405
6. Conservancy and Sanitary charges	4,120	5,120
7. Vaccination	95	95
8. Refunds	157	157
9. Contribution	170	3,556
10. Miscellaneous	7,000	7,125
Total....	18,994	24,493

1. *Office Establishment.*—The excess over the grant of the year 1895-96 is on account of the following :—

Rupees 60 has been provided for the travelling allowance of the District Office Clerk which had been omitted to be entered in the Budget for 1895-96. A provision of Rs. 50 has been made for purchase of furniture required for the use of the Local Fund Deputy Clerk, and for purchasing a box for the preservation of records.

Rupees 12 has been entered for contingencies of this branch of the District office.

2. *Medical Scholarships.*—The sanctioned provision for 1895-96 is repeated.

3. *Hospitals and Dispensaries.*—Rupees 625 has been entered under Arsikere Dispensary against Rs. 483, the estimate for 1895-96 (*vide* Resolution VI *supra*). Provision has been made for establishing a Dispensary at Arehalli in the Belur Taluk, as resolved by the Board in Resolution XIII of their Proceedings, dated 19th August 1895, and as reported to Government in this office No. 405, dated 2nd November last.

Only Rs. 321 is entered under "Konanur Dispensary" against Rs. 445, the sanctioned estimate for 1895-96, agreeably to Resolution X of the Board's Proceedings, dated 9th May 1895.

4. *Midwives.*—As all the Taluks are provided with Midwives, as already informed to the Board and as reported to Government in this office No. 547, dated 19th ultimo, the estimate is in excess of that sanctioned for 1895-96. It is proposed to raise the pay of the Midwife at Alur to Rs. 18, the place being semi-Malnad.

5. *Sweepers for third Class Travellers' Bangalos and Musafirkhanas.*—Provision has been made for purchasing vessels and lamps to Musafirkhanas. The necessity for the retention of the Kotval at Gandasi having been reported to Government in this office No. 954, dated 11th June 1895, (read to the Board) Rs. 96 is provided for his pay. Hence the excess over the sanctioned estimate for 1895-96.

6. *Conservancy and Sanitary Charges.*—As there are good many villages which stand in need of sanitary improvements, and as the usual grant will not be sufficient to meet the requirement, the provision under this head is more by Rs. 1,000 than that of 1895-96, the main object of District Funds being the bettering of rural sanitation. 7 and 8 repeated as usual.

9. *Contribution.*—1, 2, 3 and 6 have already been approved by the Board. The construction of in-patients' wards at Saklespur and Channarayapatna being necessary, provision has been made for the same.

10. *Miscellaneous.*—Rupees 525 has been provided under "Purchase of Amrut Mahal Bulls," as the amount is required for adjustment of the cost of eleven bulls recently purchased from the Amrut Mahal department. No provision has been made for feeding the same as it is proposed to entrust these bulls to respectable raiyats, as per instructions in para 5 of Government Proceedings No. 6999-7008, Circular 123, dated 16th September 1891, Rs. 1,500 has been provided under the head "Commission to Pound-keepers" against Rs. 1,200 sanctioned for 1895-96, as the latter amount will not be sufficient considering the income. The other charges are usual ones.

Resolution.—Passed.

21. Mr. Viraraghavalu Naidu, Amildar of Arsikere, informed the Board that it is proposed to construct a Musafirkhana at Tirupati, which is much frequented by pilgrims, at a cost of Rs. six to seven thousand, by raising subscriptions and that a contribution of Rs. 2,000 may be given from the District Funds.

Resolution.—The proposition be defferred as the question may be considered with reference to the amount of subscription raised and the description of building to be erected.

22. The following papers were read for the information of the Board.

(1) Docket No. 483—L. F., dated 11th September 1895, from the Comptroller, intimating that the balance at the credit of the District Funds on 1st July 1895, was Rs. 86,729-15-4.

(2) Government Proceedings No. 6514-5—L. F. 61-95, dated 5th December 1895, sanctioning the incomplete works of previous years undertaken from Local Funds General.

(3) Government Proceedings No. 7128-36—L. F. 78-94, dated 20th December 1895, observing that Deputy Commissioners should submit all new proposals relating to Medical Institutions in charge of the Senior Surgeon through that officer.

(4) Government Proceedings No. 7189-97—L. F. 71-94, dated 21st December 1895, directing the purchase of a few lamps for the use of travellers halting during nights in each Musafirkhana.

Resolution.—Recorded.

A. KRISHNASWAMAIENGAR, *President.*